



Cromwell



**N O T I C E**  
The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the months of October, November and December, 1879, for the Dunstan division of the Otago Goldfields Districts:

**CYDDE**—Every Thursday, excepting the Teviot Court week.

**CROMWELL**—Every Friday.

**ALEXANDRA**—Monday, October 20

" November 3 and 17

" Dec. 1, 15 and 29

[The District Court Office at Alexandra will be open on the above dates for the transaction of business.]

**ROXBURGH**—Tuesday, October 14

" November 11

" December 9

**OPHIR**—Tuesday, October 21

" November 18

" December 16

**JACKSON KEDDELL**, Warden and R.M.

**M. R. A. F. BLOOD, B.A.,**  
Has Commenced Practice as a

**SOLICITOR AND CONVEYANCER**

In the District, R.M. and Warden's Courts, Cromwell.

Mr Blood is prepared to visit Alexandra, Blacks, &c., when professionally required.

**GENERAL OFFICE** *(near the Bank of New Zealand)*

**NEXT DOOR TO THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.**

**HENRICH BEHRENS,**  
WHEELWRIGHT

**AND COACH BUILDER,**

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL

(Nearly opposite Bank of New South Wales), Is prepared to execute all Orders entrusted to him with carefulness and despatch.

A Large Supply of Well-seasoned American and Native Timbers kept in Stock.

Repairs done in best style.

**K. PRETT SCH.**  
CROMWELL,  
COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,  
PAPERHANGER, &c.

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper hangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

**E. MURR ELL,**  
WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER,

Has just received, per

English Mail, another con-

signment of

SILVER HUNTING LEVER

WATC HES direct from the

can with confidence recommend them to the

public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be ex-

celled in the colony.

E. M. has made arrangements for regular sup-

plies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition.

A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.

INSPECTION INVITED.

Note the address—

**E. MURR ELL,**  
Watch and Clock Maker,  
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

**THE AUSTRALIAN LITHOFRAC-**

TEUR AND DYNAMITE CO.

(KREBS' PATENT.)

**ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,**

Having accepted the above Company's Agency

or New Zealand, direct the attention of Rail-

way and other Contractors, Miners, and Quarry-

men to the enormous advantages derived from

the use of these STRONGEST EXPLOSIVES

MANUFACTURED.

For Mining, Quarrying, Blasting in hard or

soft rock, and for Submarine Works (Krebs' Patent being the only manufacture insoluble) it

is invaluable.

The SUPERIOR STRENGTH of these COLONIAL EXPLOSIVES has been proved by experts to

be 15 to 20 per cent. stronger than any imported Dynamite, while the present price renders it

cheaper than blasting powder.

Price—1 case, 2s 9d per lb.

5 " 2s 6d "

10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery from magazine payable by purchaser.

**ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,**

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL IRONMONGERS AND

IRON MERCHANTS,

PRINCES-STREET, DUNEDIN.

## Miscellaneous.

**T O FARMERS**  
M'CORMICK'S HARVESTERS FOR SALE.  
Agent for Cromwell:  
**CHARLES COLCLOUGH.**

**R AND A. J. PARK,**  
SURVEYORS, LAND AGENTS,  
SHARE AND MONEY BROKERS,  
SAVINGS BANK BUILDINGS,  
HIGH STREET, DUNEDIN.

Land Office business transacted.

**A. HORNBY**)

**MONEY TO LEND AT CURRENT RATES.**

**J OHN S MITH**  
begs to intimate to the Public that he  
**HAS OPENED**  
Those  
**WELL-KNOWN AND COMMODIOUS STABLES**  
(Late Starkey and Scally's).  
And hopes, by attention and civility, to merit a fair share of public patronage.

**B UGGIES & SADDLE HORSES ALWAYS ON HIRE.**  
**HORSES BROKEN IN, &c.**

**P. BUTTE L & CO.'S**  
FLOUR MILLS,  
NEAR ARROWTOWN.  
Supply First-class  
SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN AND POLLARD.  
GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.

Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed, cannot be excelled in the Colony.

**V INCENT FLOUR MILL**  
(Near Ophir)

**J. C. JONES**  
Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply

**S ILK-DRESSED FLOUR**  
of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.

Gristing at Current Rates.

**J. C. JONES.**

**W AKATIPU FLOUR & OATMEAL MILLS, LAKE HAYES.**

**ROBERT GILMOUR - PROPRIETOR.**

The Proprietor begs to announce to the public that, owing to the increased demand for Oatmeal, he has now completed considerable improvements on his oatmeal machinery, and is prepared to supply a first-class article at a most reasonable rate.

R.G.'s Mill being under the management of a Miller of wide experience, the public can depend upon a Constant Supply of Flour of the best quality, and can offer it at a cheap rate and upon as reasonable terms as any in the district.

**ROBERT GILMOUR.**

**N O T I C E**  
FOURPENCE each will be given by the undersigned for the SKINS of Rabbits destroyed on Mt. Pisa and Queenberry Runs upon delivery at the Home Station.

**I. LOUGHNAN.**

4th July, 1879.

**N O T I C E**  
A number of useless Curs are allowed to prowl about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that POISON will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it.

**JAMES COWAN.**

October, 1877.

**F O R S A L E**  
8-h.p. horizontal Steam Engine and Boiler, with winding and pumping gear

Several Sections in Cromwell

Cottage (furnished) and Section in Melmore Terrace

Cottage and Section in Murray-street

Shop and Dwelling in Melmore-street

Cottage on Block IX.

Water-race of 12 heads (Lowburn)

Agricultural Lease Area of 200 Acres

Cromwell Coal Lease and Plant

Several Quartz-crushing Batteries

Bannockburn Water-race.

20 Acres, Freehold (fenced), adjoining Cromwell.

**CHAS. COLCLOUGH,**

Agent, Cromwell.

## Cromwell

## SWAN BREWERY,

CROMWELL

G. W. GOODGER Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

**G. W. GOODGER.**

**WILLIAM SUTHERLAND**

General

**BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,**

Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to QUARTZVILLE,

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

**C. B. B. AND CO.'S**

LIVERY STABLES,

LAWRENCE, S.C.

Will now be under the personal supervision of Mr Craig, Proprietor.

**HORSES & BUGGIES ALWAYS ON HIRE.**

Horses Broken to Saddles and Harness.

**H. CRAIG & CO.**

Proprietors.

**CENTRAL REGISTRY OFFICE.**

E. LYONS begs to notify the inhabitants of Cromwell and District that he has OPENED

REGISTRY OFFICE in conjunction with his

Fruiterer's Business in Dunedin.

Hotelkeepers, station owners and others can

rely upon obtaining suitable Servants of every

description.

**E. L. LYONS**

(Late J. B. L. Lukes), COMMISSION, LAND & ESTATE AGENT,

GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

**KAWARAU COAL PIT,**

BANNOCKBURN.

**JOHN PRYDE,** Proprietor.

The Coal supplied from above Pit is recognised

as the best yet vended in the district. It burns

freely, and emits great heat. It is delivered at

Cromwell ... 2s per ton.

Bannockburn ... 2s do.

At Pit's mouth ... 1s 6d do.

**FULL WEIGHT GUARANTEED.**

**JOHN PRYDE,** Proprietor.

**WANAKA SAW MILLS.**

RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,

Proprietors.

The Proprietors have placed the above Mills

in complete working order with the best appliances obtainable and are prepared to supply

Manufactured Timber of every description;

Posts, Rails, Props, Slabs, &c. &c., at the

shortest possible notice, at reasonable prices

and on easy terms.

Orders punctually attended to and despatched

with promptitude.

**RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,**

WANAKA SAW MILLS.

**VULCAN FOUNDRY.**

Great King-street, Dunedin.

**KINCAID, M'QUEEN AND CO.,**

Boilermakers, Engineers, Millwrights, Foun-

ders, Blacksmiths, &c.

All kinds of castings in Brass and Iron.

## Hotels.

**KIRTELBURN HOTEL,**  
ROARING MEG.

T. GORMAN, Proprietor.

The travelling public will find every comfort and accommodation at this hostelry.  
Wines, Beer, and Spirits of best brands.

**JOHNSON, M. A. R. S. H.,**  
**BRIDGE HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

## VALUE FOR MONEY.

**VICTORIA BRIDGE**  
HOTEL.

J. M'CORMICK, Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards) has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of STONE STABLES is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

**BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,**  
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,  
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

**VICTORIA HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

**JAMES STUART,**  
(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn,) Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

**CRITERION HOTEL,**  
ALEXANDRA.

HENRY TOHILL, Proprietor.

H. TOHILL begs to inform the Travelling Public that this Hotel possesses every convenience, and trusts, by strict attention to the comfort of Travellers and the Public generally, to merit their patronage.

PRIVATE PARLOR AND BEDROOMS.

Large and commodious Billiard Room and Alcock's Prize Table.

THE BEST OF WINES, SPIRITS AND BEER ONLY KEPT.

The Culinary Department Specially attended to.  
GOOD STABLING.

**PORT PHILIP HOTEL,**  
SUNDERLAND STREET, CLYDE.

JOHN COX, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation; and J. C. begs to inform the Travelling Public that, to suit the times, he has determined on reducing the charges, which, from date, will be as follows:

Stabling, per night ... ... 6s  
Single Feed ... ... 2s  
Meals and Bed, each ... ... 2s  
Board and Lodging, per week 30s  
Board only ... ... 20s

The Stables attached to the Hotel comprise, besides Stalls, Eight Loose Boxes. An efficient Groom always in attendance, and only the best of Provender kept.

Cobb and Co.'s. coaches arrive and depart from this Hotel.

THE BEST BRANDS OF SPIRITS, WINES, AND BEERS.

N.B.—A Private Cottage for Families, containing all the comforts of a home.

## Cromwell.

FREE TRADE BUTCHERY.  
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS, PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

\* \* Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.



R. AND W. OLDS,  
FAMILY BUTCHERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

In thanking householders of the town and district of Cromwell for the liberal patronage conferred upon them since starting business, desire to say that they have entered into such arrangements as will enable them to continue to supply their Customers with Beef, Mutton, Pork and other articles in the trade of the very best quality.

## SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.



## THE CROMWELL BAKERY.

J. SCOTT,  
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,  
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

T H O M A S F O O T E,  
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,  
MELMORE TERRACE,  
C R O M W E L L .

## Choice Selection of Tweeds on hand.

F O R S A L E  
4,000 TOTARA and BLACK PINE POSTS.

Apply to D. COLWELL, Pembroke.

## Stud Horses.



T HE well-known CLYDESDALE ENTIRE SURPRISE

Will, on the 1st November, visit Cromwell, and from thence Clyde, Alexandra, Teviot, Blacks and Ida Valley.

SURPRISE, bred by John Hamilton, Esq., is by that well-known Clydesdale sire Thane of Clyde, imported to Southland by Hugh Maclean, Esq., Dam bred by A Clerke, Esq., Longford, Tasmania, and imported into Southland by the Messrs Clerke Brothers for breeding purposes on their farm.

Surprise is a dark dappled bay, stands 17 hands high. He is a remarkably compact and powerful horse, with immense bone, fine flat leg, unequalled action, and docile temper. He has proved himself a sure foal-getter, and his stock are not surpassed by the progeny of any horse which has ever served in the Southland and Clyde Districts, where he has travelled.

Surprise took second prize, at two, three and four years old, at the Invercargill Annual Show against all comers.

Well-grassed paddocks at Ida Valley for the accommodation of mares coming from a distance will be provided free of charge, without responsibility. The greatest care taken.

TERMS, £3. Groomage, 5s.

Guarantees as per agreement. Owners of mares at time of service responsible for service fees. Service fees to be paid for at end of season, except specially provided for.

J. DRUMMEY,  
Proprietor.

## Stud Horses.



## THE THOROUGHBRED HORSE ARCHITECT

Will Stand at Mount Pisa Station during this Season.

TERMS, £4 4s.

Season to end 31st December, 1879.

Every care taken of Mares, but no responsibility incurred.

L LOUGHNAN.  
6th October, 1879.

## THE PURE THOROUGHBRED ENTIRE HORSE

## HARUHA

Will Travel this Season  
IN THE WAKATIPU AND CROMWELL DISTRICTS,

Commencing October 17, and calling every alternate week on Fridays at Cromwell, and at Perriam's Saturday and Sunday.

HARUHA is a Bay Horse, stands 15½ hands, with great substance and quality, good constitution and temper. Got by Towton-dam Fair Puritan by Oliver Cromwell out of Coronaria (imported), by Sweetmeat out of Jessica, by Launcelot, own brother to Touchstone.

Towton (imported), own brother to the Peer and Marchioness, by Melbourne-dam Cinizelli by Touchstone.

Haruha is full brother to Orange Lightning, half-brother to Sinking Fund, Roebuck, Tambourini, Atalanta, Papapa, Korari, and Puriri (winner of the Dunedin Derby and Christchurch St. Leger). He was bred by Mr Redwood, and sold in 1872 as a yearling for 400 guineas.

For further pedigree, see card.

TOM BEAUFORT,  
Proprietor.

Arrowtown, Lake County,

8th September, 1879.



## TO STAND THIS SEASON

AT BELLVUE FARM, TARRAS,

The Pure Clydesdale Stallion,

## MARQUIS OF LORNE.

## PEDIGREE:

MARQUIS OF LORNE, bred by J. F. Kitching, Esq., is a bright bay, rising three years old. Sire—Governor, bred by Mr Robert Charters, Moy, East Taieri; his sire is the illustrious stud horse Nimmo's Emperor by Napoleon, imported from Scotland, bred by Mr Macadam, Kepuloch. His sire is by Mr Buchan, of Coldrach's horse, and his dam a mare purchased from Lorn Campbell, Esq., of Roseneath. Emperor's dam, Nancy, a well-known Clydesdale mare, bred by Mr Alexander Findlay, Sandy Hills, near Glasgow. Nancy was got by the celebrated Garvay Horse, and her dam by Scotsman, the property of James Kirkwood, Kilmars. Dam—Matty (lately the property of Mr John Stevenson, East Taieri), by Thane of Clyde, bred by Mr Thomas Young, Renfrewshire, Scotland. Thane of Clyde's sire is the far-famed horse Surprise, bred by Mr Murdoch, Lanarkshire; his grand sire Wallace. Mr Stevenson sold Matty to Mr J. F. Kitching for 200 guineas. Matty's dam, Bell, is out of Duchess, imported from Tasmania. Matty was the winner of two first, three second and two third prizes at Dunedin, Taieri and Tokomairiro, prior to her being sold to Mr Kitching. Her dam, Bell, carried off no less than thirteen first, seven second and three third prizes. Duchess is the dam of the following noted Clydesdales:—Entires: Lord Glasgow (sold to Mr W. Holley, Canterbury), Rantin Robin (sold to Mr Carmichael), Surprise (sold to Mr J. Robertson) and Blair Athol (sold to same buyer). Mares: Jean; Bell (sold to Mr W. Holley); and Bay Filly (sold to Mr R. Gawn).

Heavy-nailed Watertights, 14s 6d  
Heavy-nailed Bluchers, 10s  
Gent's Balmoral's (best quality), 15s  
Gent's E.S. (best quality), 16s  
Boy's heavy-nailed Lace Boots, 6s 6d  
Youths' do do, 8s 6d  
Women's E.S. Leather Boots, 10s  
Copper-toed Lace Boots, 4s 6d to 5s 6d  
E.S. copper-toe Boots, 5s to 6s 6d  
Maid's E.S. Leather Boots (1 and 2), 8s  
Elastic top Leather Slippers, 4s

## Cromwell.

## SELLING OFF!!!

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## DRAPERY, CLOTHING,

## BOOTS &amp; SHOES,

## Fancy Goods, Jewellery,

## BOOKS,

## PATENT MEDICINES,

&amp;c., &amp;c.

## J. SOLOMON

Has determined upon giving up Business in Cromwell solely on account of the recent bereavement in his family.

The Public will therefore bear in mind this is

## NO CHEAP CLEARING SALE,

But a

## GENUINE SALE

Of everything in Stock at any sacrifice.

## EVERY ARTICLE WILL BE SOLD BELOW COST PRICE.

Special Inducements to Customers Purchasing Large Parcels.

It is impossible to quote Prices for such a large Stock.

Come and See and be Convinced.

## J. S. will not Refuse any Reasonable Offer for a Large Parcel.

In order to make a speedy clearance, J. S. has made arrangements with Mr O. CUMMINS to visit the surrounding district, as well as the Arrow, Queenstown, Clyde, Alexandra, Blacks, Tinkers and Drybread, so as to give all who are not in a position to come to Cromwell the opportunity of securing Bargains.

Look out for O. CUMMINS.

One trial will prove to anyone not entirely in the hands of other storekeepers how much cheaper J. S. is selling than any storekeeper in the district.

## A SPLENDID STOCK

OF

## NEW SUMMER GOODS

ONLY JUST OPENED OUT

## CHEAP BOOTS!

Heavy-nailed Watertights, 14s 6d

Heavy-nailed Bluchers, 10s

Gent's Balmoral's (best quality), 15s

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Copper-toed Lace Boots, 4s 6d to 5s 6d

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Maid's E.S. Leather Boots (1 and 2), 8s

Elastic top Leather Slippers, 4s

## THE ABOVE ARE ALL BEST DUN.

EDIN MAKE.

## LADIES' &amp; CHILDREN'S KID BOOTS.

A Large Variety, equally Low in Price.

## GUM BOOTS, 22s 6d.

The above Prices must convince the Public that J. Solomon means business.

TERMS—CASH ONLY.

## Vineyard County Gazette.

HOLDERS of SLAUGHTERING LICENSES  
are reminded that such are in force only  
until 31st December, 1879, and it is requested  
that early application be made for Renewals, as  
the premises require to be inspected previous to  
gratuiting of same.

GEORGE CLARK,

County Clerk,  
Vineyard County Offices,

Clyde, December 15th, 1879.



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## NOTICE

Under "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1876," and  
"The Regulation of Local Elections Act,  
1876."

## VINCENT RABBIT DISTRICT.

## ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.

J. JACKSON KEDDELL, the Returning Officer appointed by His Excellency the Governor to conduct the first Election of Trustees for the purposes of "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1876," within the Vincent Rabbit District, do hereby give Public Notice that, under the authority of an Order in Council, dated the Eighth day of November, 1879, I do hereby appoint the RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT-HOUSE, CLYDE, as the place, and TUESDAY, the 23rd day of December instant, as the day, for the Nomination of Candidates for the office of Trustee for the said district.

JACKSON KEDDELL,

Returning Officer.

Resident Magistrate's Office,  
Clyde, December 15, 1879.

## BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of VALUER for the Borough of Cromwell for the ensuing year.

Applications, stating terms, will be received up to 6 p.m. on FRIDAY, 19th December, 1879.

JAS. MARSHALL,

Town Clerk.

## BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY FOR COUNCILLOR FOR BRIDGE WARD.

NOMINATIONS for the Office of COUNCILLOR for BRIDGE WARD will take place at the Council Chambers, Cromwell, at Noon on THURSDAY, December 18th, 1879.

Dated at Cromwell this 9th day of December, 1879.

JAS. MARSHALL,  
Returning Officer for Bridge Ward.

N.B.—Any Ratepayer within the Borough is competent to stand for any Ward. See Section 60 of "Municipal Corporations Act, 1876."

## TOWN OF CROMWELL.

FRONTAGES TO MELMORE-STREET,  
CROMWELL.

The Corporation will offer FOR SALE by auction, on a day to be notified in a future advertisement, 45 SECTIONS on the south side of Melmore-terrace, divided into suitable frontages.

The purchasers will obtain the right of possession in 30 days after sale, to allow removal of buildings in the interval.

No valuation for buildings will be allowed.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,

Mayor.

Borough Chambers,

November 24th, 1879.

## F O R S A L E

By Private Contract,  
Simpson's well-known BILLIARD SALOON,

with first-class Table (Thurston's) and  
every requisite.

If not sold privately, will be offered by public

auction early in January.

For particulars, apply on the premises, Ban-

nockburn.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that, for  
and on behalf of the Bank of New Zealand,  
I have this day taken Possession, under mort-  
gage, of Runs numbered 430A, 524, class 3, and  
part of Run 622, class 3, commonly known as  
the Highburn Station, together with all sheep  
running on said Station, and all goods and  
chattels thereon.

P. L. DIGNAN,

Agent.

December 3, 1879.

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

In aid of the Funds of the Catholic Church.

To be held on  
THE RACE NIGHTS,  
26th and 27th December, in the  
ATHENÆUM HALL, CROMWELL.

Those persons who have kindly promised  
articles will please to have the same delivered  
in time.

Several novelties will be introduced to render  
the affair entertaining, and the attendance of  
the public is solicited.

An auction sale will conclude the proceedings.

## HOGMANAY NIGHT!

THE OLD YEAR OUT, THE NEW YEAR IN.

CHARLES' ANGEL,

BANNOCKBURN,

Invites his Friends to a DANCE on the Night  
of WEDNESDAY, 31st instant, in cele-  
bration of above event.

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED.

EVERYBODY MADE WELCOME!

An Efficient Band Engaged.

## CHRISTMAS EVE!

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,  
BANNOCKBURN.

Mrs. R. A. BROWN, having entered into pos-  
session of above Hotel, invites  
her friends to a

## FREE BALL AND SUPPER,

To take place on  
CHRISTMAS EVE, 24th INST.

## A FULL AND FREE INVITATION TO ALL.

AN EFFICIENT BAND FOR THE BALL.

## BENDIGO SPORTS.

To be held  
ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

STEWARDS:

Messrs J. DEWAR, T. ROONEY, C. O'DONNELL,  
J. KANE, W. DAVIS, J. EASTWOOD,  
J. PEACE, AND W. CAMERON.

JUDGE: MR T. ROONEY.

STARTER: MR C. O'DONNELL.

PROGRAMME:

QUOIT MATCH; 18yds.—1st prize, 30s; 2nd,  
20s; 3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

100YDS HANDICAP FOOT RACE.—1st, 30s; 2nd,  
15s; 3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

DISTRICT PLATE, of £5, with a sweepstake of  
5s to go to the second horse. For all hacks  
that have been owned in the Lindis Riding  
for a period of two months prior to the 25th  
of December, 1879. Weight, 10st; distance,  
one mile; entrance, 5s.

RUNNING HIGH LEAP.—1st, 30s; 2nd, 15s;  
3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

THROWING A QUOIT FURTHEST.—1st, 20s. En-  
trance, 1s.

VAULTING WITH THE POLE.—1st, 30s; 2nd, 15s;  
3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

THROWING A STONE OFF LONG-HANDED SHOVEL.—  
1st, 20s. Entrance, 1s.

200YDS HANDICAP FOOT RACE.—1st, 30s; 2nd,  
20s; 3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

WRESTLING MATCH (Irish Style).—1st, 40s;  
2nd, 20s; 3rd, 10s.—Entrance, 2s 6d.

WALKING MATCH, over such course and under  
such conditions as the Stewards may  
choose.—1st, 40s; 2nd, 20s; 3rd, 10s. En-  
trance, 2s 6d.

BENDIGO HANDICAP, of £7. Open to all horses.  
Entrance, 10s.

WRESTLING MATCH (Cumberland Style).—1st  
40s; 2nd, 20s; 3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—1st, 40s; 2nd, 20s; 3rd,  
10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—1st, 20s; 2nd, 10s;  
Entrance, 1s.

RUNNING HOP-STEP-AND-JUMP.—1st, 30s; 2nd,  
15s; 3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

300YDS HANDICAP FOOT RACE.—1st, 40s; 2nd,  
20s; 3rd, 10s. Entrance, 2s 6d.

SPORTS TO START AT 12 O'CLOCK SHARP.

RULES.

All persons entering a horse for any race  
must be a subscriber to the Sports Fund of not  
less than 10s.

The decision of the Stewards in all cases to be  
final.

Anyone entering a protest must deposit 20s,  
and, should such be deemed frivolous by the  
Stewards, the amount will be forfeited.

Four entries for each event, or no money  
given.

WILLIAM CAMERON,

Hon. Secretary.

WANTED, immediately, a SHEPHERD  
accustomed to high country.  
Six or twelve months' engagement. Apply,

J. DOVE,

Hawea Station.

WANTED, early in December, for a  
term of eight months, as Hill Shepherd,  
a SINGLE MAN, with good Dogs. Wages,  
27s per week. Apply to

M'INTOSH BROS.,

Nevis.

## SPORTS! SPORTS! SPORTS!!!

Will be held

ON NEW YEAR'S DAY,

AT LOWBURN,

as usual.

Programme in future issue.

DON'T FORGET  
THE ANNUAL SPORTS

Will be held

AT QUARTZVILLE

ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

Particulars in future advertisement.

## TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS are invited for the ERECTION  
of a Schoolmaster's Residence at Pembroke for  
the Southland Education Board.

Plans and Specifications may be seen at THE  
CROMWELL ARGUS Office, and Tenders to be  
lodged with the undersigned on or before Wednesday,  
December 17th, at noon.

F. W. BURWELL,  
Architect to Board, Invercargill.

## PICNIC AND CONCERT.

## A PICNIC,

In connection with the Bannockburn Sunday  
School, will be held on or near Doctor's Flat,  
Pipeclay, on TUESDAY, 30th December.

Parents and friends are invited.

## A CONCERT

Will be held in the Schoolroom in the Evening,  
commencing at 8 o'clock.

Admission ... ... ... 2s 6d.

## FOR SALE.

By Tender.

VALUABLE MINING PROPERTY AT  
ROXBURGH.

TENDERS are hereby called for the PUR-  
CHASE of Four-fifths of that valuable Mining  
Property, known as the PERSEVERANCE  
WATER RACE (extending for a distance of  
five miles); registered to carry 12 heads of water  
taken from the Teviot River, and brought  
on to Hercules Flat, terminating at Dumbarton  
Rock; together with two Extended Claims,  
situate on the banks of the Molyneux River,  
and Two Sets of Mining Plant complete. Ar-  
rangements can be made to purchase the remain-  
ing One-fifth Share if required. An extension  
of the Race along the banks of the River a  
distance of one or two miles would carry the  
water to a large portion of ground known to  
be highly auriferous.

Tenders to be lodged with the undersigned  
on or before THURSDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1879.

The highest or any tender not necessarily  
accepted.

JABEZ BURTON,  
Trustee for the Property.

## THURSDAY, 18TH DECEMBER,

At 12 o'clock, sharp.

At the Company's Office, Cromwell.

FORFEITED SHARES  
IN THE  
PERSEVERANCE CO. (LIMITED).

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
will sell by auction at the Company's  
Office, Cromwell, on Thursday, 18th December,  
at 12 o'clock, sharp,

300 Forfeited Shares in above Company.

Lot 1.—John Stewart, 100

Lot 2.—John Jones, 100

Lot 3.—John Roberts, 50

Lot 4.—David Roberts, 50.

## TERMS CASH.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,

Auctioneer.

## FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,

26th and 27th DECEMBER,  
At 10 a.m. sharp each day.

In yard adjoining Emerson's Cottage, at  
rear of Athenæum Hall.

EXTENSIVE SALE

OF

## RACING &amp; BREEDING STOCK,

SADDLES, BRIDLES,  
&c., &c.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
will offer for sale, on Friday and Saturday,  
December 26th and 27th (race days), commencing  
at 10 o'clock sharp, in the yard adjoining  
Emerson's cottage, at back of Athenæum—

The whole of the Stud of Racing and Breed-  
ing Stock (the property of Mr I. Lough-  
nan, who is about visiting Europe),  
comprising—

Esmeralda, b f, 2 yrs, by Cassielanus  
from Azucena by Towton, &c.

Foam, b m, by Scud.

Concrete, b g, 3 yrs, by Architect from  
Lady of the Lake by Tom King

Chester, b g, 2 yrs, by Architect from  
Lady of the Lake by Tom King

Spey, b g

4 good upstanding Hacks, quiet to ride  
and drive, 3 yrs and upwards

4 2-year-old Colts and Fillies by Architect

4 yearling Colts and Fillies by Architect

6 Brood Mares and Foals, including Lady  
of the Lake, by Tom King from  
Fairy by the Peer.

Saddles, bridles, breastplates, racing suits  
and gear of all kinds.

The above sale should command the attention  
of settlers and others desirous of possessing good  
and valuable Horses; and as the owner is leav-  
ing the country, they have a guarantee that the  
sale will be a bona-fide one, affording an excellent  
opportunity for buyers.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,  
CROMWELL.

The Rev. Mr. M'INTOSH will hold DIVINE SERVICE on Sabbath next, December 21st, at 10 a.m. in the Drill Hall, Bannockburn, ... 3 p.m. in Cromwell ... 7 p.m.

CROMWELL DISTRICT HOSPITAL  
WARDSMAN & MATRON WANTED.

APPLICATIONS will be received to 13th January for the offices of Wardsman and Matron for the Cromwell Hospital. Duties to commence on 1st February, 1880.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,  
Secretary.

CROMWELL RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.

NOTICE.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTION PARADE will take place in the Drill Hall Bannockburn, on WEDNESDAY, 17th instant, at 8 p.m. sharp. Full attendance requested.

S. N. BROWN,  
Captain Commanding.

N O T I C E  
EDUCATION.

The newly-erected SCHOOL-HOUSE at Pembroke will be OPENED for public instruction by REV. CHAS. CONNOR on MONDAY, the 5th day of January ensuing.

ROBT. M'DOUGALL,  
Secretary of Committee.

Pembroke, 22nd November, 1879.

PERSEVERANCE COMPANY  
(LIMITED).

A CALL (the 22nd) of ONE SHILLING per Share has this day been made in the above Company, and the same will be due and payable on the Second Wednesday in the month of January, 1880, at the office of the Manager, Cromwell.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,  
Manager.

9th December, 1879.

A.O.F.  
COURT ROYAL OAK OF KAWARAU, No. 4929.

A SUMMONED MEETING of the above Court will be held on SATURDAY, 20th of December, in the Schoolhouse, Bannockburn.

Business: Nomination of Officers.

By order CHARLES KOCH,

Secretary.

N O T I C E  
In the Estate of the late JOHN MELLOR, of Tinkers, Otago.

All Persons having CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to forward the same to the undersigned on or before the 31st day of December next.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1879.

ALEX. F. BLOOD,  
Solicitor for the Executors,  
Cromwell.

THURSDAY, 8TH JANUARY, 1880.

At 11 a.m.

At Goodger's Yards, Cromwell.

TO BUTCHERS, FARMERS & OTHERS.

Extensive Sale of

MIXED CATTLE.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH, will sell by public auction on Thursday, 8th January, 1880, commencing at 11 a.m., about 83 head of mixed cattle, as under-

15 MILCH COWS, with six Calves  
8 YEARLINGS

20 Two-year-old STEERS  
40 Head, 3, 4, 5, and six years (mixed sexes). All superior Stock and in fair to good condition.

The above Stock are from the herd of Mr A. M'Kenzie, of Long Valley, and will be found superior to anything hitherto offered in this market.

TERMS AT SALE.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,  
Auctioneer.

CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACES, DEC. 26 AND 27, 1879.

DECLARATION OF WEIGHTS.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP.

	st. lb.
W. Taylor's g g Haricot, aged ...	9 5
R. Walsh's g g Nabobish, aged ...	8 0
I. Loughnan's b h Architect, aged ...	7 9
C. M'Kenna's b g Playboy, 4 yrs ...	7 4

FLYING HANDICAP.

	st. lb.
W. Taylor's g g Haricot, aged ...	9 8
J. Cowan's br m Frances, aged ...	7 12
I. Loughnan's b h Architect, aged ...	7 10
I. Loughnan's b g Spey, aged ...	7 9
C. M'Kenna's b g Playboy, 4 yrs ...	7 6

The winner of the Grand Stand Handicap to carry 5lb penalty in the Flying Handicap.

GEORGE JENOUR,

Secretary.

POSTAL NOTICE.

The next Suez mail will close here on Wednesday, December 17th, at noon.

The next Frisco mail will close here on Wednesday, December 31st, at noon.

Cromwell Argus,

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1879.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DUNEDIN, December 16, 10.30 a.m.

The Legislative Council threw out the Otago Harbor Empowering and Otago University Bills.

In the House there was a long debate on the Property Tax Bill, which was steadily opposed by Grey, Macandrew, and others. The second reading was carried by 41 to 22. In committee, Dick moved reduction of the tax to a half-penny, which was carried by 36 to 24. The Premier thereupon said the reduction would seriously embarrass the Government as at a penny the tax would only realise £208,000. Atkinson moved that the amount stand at seven-eights of a penny, which was carried on the voices. In addition to seven-eights of a penny on all property taxable under the Bill, the measure imposes a duty of £1 10s per cent, on all premiums received in respect of all fire, marine or guarantee policies issued by any insurance company. The taxes are to be payable in two equal instalments on such days as the Governor-in-Council shall appoint.

Parliament is to be prorogued by commission.

Wilkinson, who formerly held a high position in Glasgow, was ruined by the Glasgow Bank failure, and arrived here two months since with his family to settle, died suddenly yesterday of apoplexy.

The Rev. Arthur Graves has been committed for trial for forgery. In the course of the proceedings he made such extraordinary statements that the prosecutor, Archdeacon Edwards, suggested that he should be examined medically.

A curious application was made at the bankruptcy sitting of the Supreme Court yesterday, namely, that a bankrupt who received his discharge in 1870 and paid a dividend of 8s 4d in the pound should be summoned under the bankruptcy legislation of 1867 to submit to an examination to show whether or not he was able now to pay ten shillings in the pound. The decision of his Honor, which is to be given on Monday, will be watched with interest. The alleged person against whom the proceedings are directed occupies a responsible official position in the Dunstan district.

LATEST BY CABLE.

LONDON, December 12.

It is denied that the ex-Empress Eugenie goes to Zululand.

The subscriptions to the New Zealand five million loan amounted to £12,000,000. Allotments were made equal to 40 per cent. of subscription, at five-eighths premium.

December 13.

The Times publishes a paragraph to the effect that the trial of Irishmen for sedition will be abandoned. Killen has been admitted to bail.

PARIS.

There is great distress in France. The senate Chamber of Deputies vote 5,000,000 francs for the relief of sufferers.

ST. PETERSBURG.

Arrests continue to be made in Russia in connection with the late attempt on the life of the Emperor, including one who had in his possession a plan to enter the palace.

CALCUTTA.

The Viceroy on his arrival to-day was twice fired at, but escaped unhurt. The would-be assassin was arrested, and proved to be a drunken Native. The matter has no political significance.

[SPECIAL TO THE STAR.]

LONDON, December 13.

New Zealand debentures are in active demand, and have advanced one half per cent.

interest on the Polynesian Company's shares.

ST. PETERSBURG.

A plot to fire the Winter Palace with dynamite has been discovered. Several arrests have been made.

CALCUTTA, December 12.

General Macpherson has attacked the force of enemy who captured the supplies.

Latest news from Kabul states that the British troops were attacked by Afghans at South Dalahessa. The enemy was repulsed. General Roberts reports a coalition of tribes to a great extent.

December 14.

After an engagement, the Kohistans returned to the heights. General M'Pherson renewed the attack unsuccessfully on the 12th. General Baker subsequently joined him and their united attack was completely successful in destroying the enemy.

General Roberts telegraphs to the Viceroy that severe fighting has taken place south of Kabul. 10,000 Kabulese, under Mahomed Khan, attacked and repulsed a force going to join General M'Pherson's column. The fighting was very severe, and our force was so hotly pressed that four guns had to be spiked, and they passed into the enemy's hands. General M'Pherson being relieved, attacked and defeated the Kabulese with considerable loss, and recovered the guns. Our loss was 50 killed and wounded.

LATEST.

The House this morning re-instituted the penny tax.

The petition re City Mayoralty is being heard now.

Pressure of late advertisements compels us to hold over leading article and other interesting matter in type.

It should be borne in mind that general entries for the approaching Cromwell Races close on Tuesday evening, 23rd instant, at eight o'clock.

On Saturday first, at noon, Mr Colclough will sell by public auction at his office, a number of forfeited shares in the Perseverance Q. M. Company.

For the extension of a telegraph line from Cromwell to Albert Town a sum of £2,000, and £1,700 for a line from Kingston to Queenstown, have been placed on the Estimates.

At a meeting of the Cromwell Hospital Committee held last night, the resignation of the Wardsman and Matron was accepted. Applications are invited for the offices.

The local Volunteers will undergo Government inspection at Bannockburn tomorrow evening at eight o'clock. The place of muster is at the drill hall, and a full attendance is looked for.

Messrs Grant and MacKellar, contractors for re-erecting the Clyde bridge, commenced operations on Monday. Rapid progress is being made with the Hawea bridge by the same firm.

Daniel Moore the "prospector" has been petitioning Parliament for a reward for the alleged discovery of a payable goldfield in the Wellington district. The Goldfields Committee, however, reported adversely to Daniel's prayer.

A lecture was delivered in the Bendigo Schoolhouse on Saturday evening by the Rev. Chas. Connor on the "Life and Times of John Knox." There was a good attendance, the lecture being attentively listened to and the speaker frequently applauded. The chair was occupied by Mr Stewart.

Mr Colclough auctioned the privileges connected with the Cromwell Summer Races at Heron's hotel on Friday last. There was a good attendance, and the various lots realised prices showing an improvement on last year. The booth and grand stand brought £55, Mr Perriam being the purchaser. The horse paddock brought £8, the right to sell fruit, £1 10s, and the cards, £4 5s—in all, £72 15s. Last year the total realised was £63 16s.

Among other amounts of appropriation on expenditure for the financial year ending 30th June, 1880, we find the following affecting the Otago Goldfields:—Otago Central Railway, Chain Hills to Taieri Lake, £128,800, balance for future appropriation, £59,200; Mount Ida water-race, £500; purchase of Beaumont bridge, expended £2,000, in addition to the previous vote of £3,000; Kawarau bridge, £2,000, in addition to £7,937 expended; Jackson's Bay jetty, £2,500; court-houses: at Alexandra, £400; Blacks, £500; Lawrence, £235; Queenstown gaol, £600.

The peculiar weather lately experienced in this region is subject of general remark, and would lead superstitious people to believe there is some truth in the Yankee yarn of the terrors to overtake the world from 1880 onward. Not within the memory of "the oldest inhabitant" has such an unsummerlike summer (if we may so express it) been known. One day it is hot enough to warrant the lightest of clothing, while the next calls for pilot jackets and winter wraps. The evenings too are invariably chilly, and altogether the weather is subject of considerable growling and discontent.

At stated intervals during the past three months a notice has appeared in these columns under the hand of the returning officer, inviting nominations for the position of Borough Councillor for Bridge Ward, but hitherto without success. This is not creditable to the rate-payers, and displays a lamentable lack of public spirit. It is a mistake to suppose that only burgesses on the roll can stand; it is competent for any qualified ratepayer to come forward, no matter which roll his name may be upon, and we hope that, on Thursday next, the returning officer will be in a position to announce that the vacancy is filled. Even on the score of saving expense this is desirable, as continual advertising costs money, and the Act makes no provision beyond continuing public notice until any extraordinary is filled up.

Mr Colclough, auctioneer, announces in another column an important sale of well-bred horses, from the stables of Mr Loughnan, Mt. Pisa, which takes place in Cromwell on Friday and Saturday week (days of the races). For particulars see advertisement.

The trial of the New South Wales bushrangers was concluded at Sydney on Thursday. All the prisoners were found guilty, and sentenced to death. "Captain Moonlight" made a splendid address in defence, and showed that he is a man of great intelligence.

A special from Sydney to Saturday's Star contains the following items:—There are lying in Darlinghurst gaol at present (13th inst.) six condemned convicts, awaiting execution; and three awaiting trial for capital offences. Scott is quite indifferent, and resigned to his fate. The other bushrangers are prostrate.—The contest between Edwards and Woodhouse, of Melbourne, for the 24 hours' walking championship is going on. The former is leading slightly.—The Anglicans and Catholics have combined to defeat the new Education Bill.—There are swarms of candidates in Victoria for the forthcoming general elections.

The Hon. the Minister of Works (Mr R. Oliver) delivered his Public Works Statement on Tuesday evening. The sum of £154,700, payable to counties in the districts of Otago and Canterbury (in respect of stoppages from the surplus land revenue of the districts) will shortly be paid. This will be good news to more than one county in Otago. In reference to the Otago Central Railway, the hon. gentleman stated that tenders will be advertised for a further contract in connection of the Wingatui and Hinton sections. This will finish the heaviest works in the Taieri Gorge, and bring the line into the open country of the Sutton district, in the Strath-taieri Valley.

At last week's meeting of the Waste Lands Board, Mr Charles Colclough, on behalf of Henry Searle, applied to be allowed to pay the balance of purchase-money on section 1, block XXXVI, Cromwell, purchased in 1876, or to be allowed valuation on improvements when the land was offered for sale. From the documents brought forward, and the discussion in this case, it appeared that only the deposit money had been originally paid on the section, but that under some misapprehension the present applicant put a house on and improved the section. It was resolved that the improvements should be valued, and the section put up for sale.

Professor Taylor and Lillie, "Queen of Skates," gave three exhibitions of their skill during last week in the Athenaeum Hall. The attendance the first night was somewhat meagre, doubtless on account of insufficient notice, but the two following performances were well patronised. The entertainment consists chiefly of roller-skating, and in this art the Professor and Lillie are proficient in a wonderful degree, their movements being graceful, elegant and easy. Those of the assemblage who chose to try their skill on the skates were provided with them, and the awkward antics of the majority were not the least amusing part of the programme, and contrasted strangely with the manner of the Professor and Lillie. In his manipulation of the Indian clubs, Professor Taylor displays wonderful strength and precision. Altogether, the entertainment is of a pleasing and unique character, and well worthy public support.

"Genteel shabbiness" can be intensely mean. This was brought out the other day when our late respected R.M. and Warden (Mr W. L. Simpson) was unexpectedly called upon to adjudicate in Dunedin in a case where plaintiff claimed £5 10s for illuminating a testimonial to Mr Simpson himself! We don't think this can be beat much for petty meanness, and we should think the persons to blame must feel very small over the exposé. It is, however, pleasing to know that the "vulgar public" are innocent of this insult to Mr Simpson, and that it was reserved for a circle of the

## ARROWTOWN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

December 13.

The fruit season has now fairly begun. Cherries and strawberries are plentiful and cheap; the former average from 6d to 9d per pound, and the latter stand at about 1s 6d per pound. The quality of the fruit is unexceptional, and a plentiful supply is likely to be kept up by the succession of hardier kinds. To notice the way "Young Arrow" is improving the opportunity, the question whether any of the children will burst up or defy nature with success becomes an anxious one to those concerned. In the meantime this variety from sweeties and sugar-lolly seems to agree amazingly with them.

Mr W. Scoles held a fairly successful sale last week, at which large quantities of oats and wheat, as also live stock, were sold at satisfactory prices. The attendance at the sale was good. Mr D. Powell was the "knight of the hammer," and went through the business in first-rate style.

The local Masonic lodge, which has not yet been in existence one year, has made fair progress since its establishment. Last Friday the installation of officers for the incoming year was celebrated by a grand banquet, to which a number of guests were invited. The whole affair reflects much credit upon the Order; everything connected with it was of the most genuine and substantial description, while the quantity was abounding. The offices were divided amongst the Masonic craft as follows: Bro. Barlow, R.W.M.; Bro. Sykes, D.M.; Bro. Burrell, S.W.; Bro. Broadfoot, J.W.; Bro. Herfeit, S.D.; Bro. J. Colville, J.D.; Bro. Pritchard, I.G.; Bro. Hay, Tyler. After the installation, the lodge adjourned to the reading room of the Athenaeum where the banquet was laid, and did full justice to the viands and liquors provided. The toast of the evening, the health of the R.W.M., was proposed by Judge Harvey, Grand Master of the Provincial Lodge, and received with enthusiasm, it being drunk with musical honors. Mr Barlow acknowledged the compliment paid him in a neat speech, referring to his stay in the Arrow, during which he had met with nothing but friendliness from the residents. Mr Barlow is possessor of a great deal of *bon homie*, which accounts for the cordial reception he received from the Arrowites, and is also, outside the Masonic lodge, much esteemed by all who know him.

The champion skaters, Taylor and Lillie, gave the Arrowites a treat by their clever performance, and quite a number of amateurs tried and enjoyed the exciting amusement of skating very much.

## ALEXANDRA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

December 12.

The forthcoming bazaar on Boxing-day, for the purpose of clearing off the debt on the Presbyterian Church, promises to be a great success, the ladies having taken the matter in hand, and canvassed the district with excellent results. The gifts comprise a most heterogeneous collection of articles, from sheep and bags of potatoes to fancy goods of all descriptions. If the sales bear any proportion to the contributions a handsome sum ought to be realised. I understand that the programme includes music and singing, which, with the addition of a bevy of fair sales-women, ought to soften the hearts of the most obdurate bachelors, and induce them to part with their spare cash.

Professor Taylor and Lillie gave two performances here last week, which were well worth visiting by those who wished to see the perfection which can be attained by artistes on those rather clumsy-looking articles, the roller skates. The performers were quite at home on the skates, and went through a number of difficult evolutions with an amount of ease and grace that would challenge the admiration of the most accomplished skater on ice.

The late rain has been of great benefit to the farmers in the neighborhood and there is every prospect of an excellent crop, in fact the climate here is so dry that a good or bad crop mainly depends on the amount of rainfall. The wonder is that knowing this to be the case, the farmers have not attempted more in the way of artificial irrigation; one would imagine that the results would justify any reasonable outlay in that direction. The fruit crop will only be about an average one, the cold strong winds having done a good deal of damage to the young fruit.

The Borough Council held their ordinary meeting on the 10th inst. Letters were read from V. Pyke, Esq., stating that he had introduced a bill to alter the boundary of the Borough endowment, also that he had presented the petition for a grant for the Waikato Bush road and that the petition had been referred to the Committee. Letters were also read from Fawcett and Co. stating that they had completed the repairs to the head of the Corporation race, and from the agent of the National Insurance Company notifying that the renewal premium on the Town Hall would require to be paid by the 31st inst. It was resolved that the Works Committee should visit the head of the race and report to the next meeting of the Council. It was also resolved to continue the insurance on the Town Hall, the policy to be issued to the Mayor of the Borough. Some other business of a routine character was transacted, and the meeting terminated with the usual vote of thanks to the chair.

## MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12.

(Before Major Keddell, R.M.)

Jane Wilson v. A. M'Laughlin—Charge of assault. After hearing evidence (in many details unfit for publication), the Bench dismissed the complaint, with costs, £2 6s.

## CIVIL CASES.

J. Scott v. A. Wood—Claim for £10 14s. 6d, goods supplied. Judgment for £10 2s 6d, with costs, £2 6s—execution to be stayed one week.

J. Scott v. Goninan and others—Claim for £11 3s, goods supplied. Plaintiff accepted a non-suit.

Colonial Bank v. J. Crabbe—Claim for £25 8s. Judgment for £20 10s 6d, with costs, £2 17s.

## WARDEN'S COURT.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12.

(Before Major Keddell, Warden.)

## APPLICATIONS.

Water Race—Ann B. Shade, Mount Pisa. Adjourned for production of *Gazette*.

Residence Area—D. MacKellar, Bannockburn—granted.

By-Wash—J. Rowe and others, Cromwell Flat. Duhig, the objector, was heard in this application, and consented to a proposition made by District Surveyor. Granted in accordance with plan. D. Murley's application was granted under similar conditions.

Agricultural Leases.—B. Duhig, Cromwell Commonage—Certificate to issue. David Murley, Cromwell Commonage. Opposed on behalf of Borough Council, who claim area as within endowment. Adjourned *sine die*. The application of Sin Goon Lee, under section 66 of Mines Act, was adjourned for enquiry.

## BRITISH AND FOREIGN NEWS.

[By CABLE.]

(From DUNEDIN DAILY)

LONDON, December 8.

The total quantity of wheat afloat for Great Britain is 2,120,000 quarters.

The Queen's health continues to improve.

Her Majesty decorated the officers with the Order of the Bath at Windsor.

Brennan has been committed for trial. Bail has been allowed.

The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone has been returned to Parliament.

It has been notified that the New Zealand Government will abstain from a fresh loan for three years.

CALCUTTA, December 8.

The Ghilzais and others cut off supplies going to Cabul. Brigades under Colonels Baker and Macpherson were despatched to attack and punish them.

LONDON, December 10.

An active business in wool is expected after the New Year.

The total reserve of notes and bullion in the Bank of England is £15,500,000.

The *Pall Mall Budget* compares New Zealand's promise not to apply for a further loan for three years to a confirmed drunkard promising abstinence until his stock in hand is exhausted.

The Zululand policy of dividing the country amongst leading chiefs will probably be applied to Afghanistan.

The British at Gundamak are suffering from cholera and scurvy.

German merchants are coalescing to retain the direct trade with Samoa.

Large sums are being collected in America and forwarded to Dublin to assist the agitators.

The New Zealand loan has completely succeeded. Tenders were opened to-day, and nearly three times the amount required was subscribed.

Dayob Khan, with 12 regiments, has left Herat to attack Candahar.

The French Admiral, Duferre, has been ordered to seize Tonquin, Cochin-China.

The floods in Hungary are spreading.

The Seine, Loire, and upper Thames are frozen, and the winter generally is severe over Europe.

A company is appealing to German patriotism for funds to continue Godefroy's business and prevent it falling into English and American hands.

A revolutionary committee in Russia has issued a proclamation confessing to the attempt on the life of the Czar. They style his impersonation as despotic despotism, and will only leave him in peace if he will transfer his power to an assembly elected by universal suffrage.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 10.

The pacific policy of Russia is strengthened by a speech from the Emperor, who, in reply to a congratulatory address, said he hoped that Russia would develop the resources of the country and maintain peace.

December 11.

Some persons arrested have acknowledged making the attempt on the Czar's life, and the Nihilists own to complicity.

BERLIN, December 11.

The German manufacturers have promised their co-operation in the Melbourne International Exhibition.

ALEXANDRIA, December 11.

A letter from King John of Abyssinia to the Khedive declares his readiness for peace, provided the Great Powers recognise the conditions of peace.

CALCUTTA, December 12.

Notwithstanding the complete measures taken by General Roberts to prevent it, an outbreak of hostility by the tribes, followed by a general rising near Cabul, has taken place. 10,000 Afghans, commanded by Mahomed Khan, attacked a force of British cavalry and artillery going to join Macpherson's Brigade which was ordered to punish the tribes. The British made a desperate defence, being compelled to spike four guns, which were afterwards recovered from the enemy.

Latest news states that fighting continues. The British loss is unknown. The Afghans suffered heavy loss.

## Original Correspondence.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by correspondents.]

## OUR BY-LAWS.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—I have waited for some time in order to see if some abler person than myself would refer to the judgment of our worthy R.M. in the cases of "Police v. MacKellar" and "Police v. Scott," breach of Borough by-laws in allowing horses to stray within the municipal bounds. According to THE ARGUS of 4th November, Major Keddell, R.M., dismissed the informations, holding that the by-law under which the action had been taken was null and void, as being repugnant to the terms of the Impounding Ordinance, which fixes the maximum penalty at one pound, while the by-law fixes the penalty at a sum not exceeding five pounds. Now, it seems pretty clear that the R.M. in giving judgment had in view section 345 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," which runs thus:—"Every by-law repugnant to any Act or Ordinance of the General Assembly or any Provincial Legislature for the time being in force in the Borough shall be null and void," and the parties seem to have omitted to bring under the R.M.'s notice section 36 of the Municipal Amendment Act, 1878. This section amends section 345 by striking out the words in italics, viz., "or Ordinance," or "any Provincial Legislature." The effect of this amendment, I take it, is that the Borough Council can make any by-law it likes, even if it is repugnant to an *Ordinance*, provided it is not repugnant to an Act of the General Assembly, and that the by-law is on any of the subjects specified in the Act of 1876. I cannot help thinking that had the provisions of the Amendment Act been brought under the notice of Major Keddell, he would have supported the by-law instead of ruling that it was null and void. However, as the question is one that affects the public and the Corporation funds to a considerable extent, it may perhaps be advisable for the Council to consider whether it would not be as well to instruct one of its officers to lay an information against some citizen for allowing his cattle to wander, and also to instruct the Corporation Solicitor to support the prosecution. By adopting this course the ratepayers will have the satisfaction of ascertaining whether their by-laws are worth the paper they are written on or not.

Apoloising for troubling you at such length, I am, &c., A RATEPAYER.

Cromwell, December 12th, 1879.

## The Automatic Barman.

In the American Court of the Garden Palace no exhibit has attracted more attention than "the Automatic Barman," from the celebrated manufactory of Cyrus A. Shook, Pittsburg, Va. The wonderful mechanism by which the automaton is moved has been a subject of the most appropriate interest with "The Interior Arrangements Committee of the International Exhibition" ever since the opening day, and their constant study of it is quite on a par with the wonderful order and regularity of their own work. The regulations of the Exhibition have prevented any display of the actual work of the automaton in what might be called a practical form. Offers of his assistance were made, it is understood, to the various proprietors of bars in the building and grounds; but the Executive Commissioner could not see his way, when so many hard-working people are complaining of want of employment, to permit the assumption by a mere machine of so elevating, refined, and intellectual an occupation as that of barman. Neither, of course, could the automaton be permitted to leave the building until the close of the Exhibition. Some funny fellow suggested that he should be dressed up as a policeman, set in motion, and let walk out. It was considered certain that the dull regularity of his features, and a tendency to walk as if his heels were in front, would have made him unrecognisable as anything but a policeman. Fortunately, however, the last California mail steamer brought a duplicate of the "Automatic Barman," and this was at once secured by Mr Edward Perkins, the well-known proprietor of the Exchange hotel, at the corner of George and King streets. Mr Perkins is, as most people are aware, an American himself, and was quick to see and appreciate the advantages of the new machine. Indeed its purchase in itself was a very good advertisement for his hotel. On Saturday evening last Mr Perkins invited a number of leading citizens to see the automatic barman at work for the first time, and it can easily be understood, considering the novelty of the occasion, that the invitation was generally accepted. At six o'clock precisely Mr Hosea H. Spinks, the representative of Mr Shook in Sydney, wound up the automaton, through an aperture in the back of its head, and announced that its machinery ran for exactly 12 hours. The machinery is set in motion by pressing a small button on the top of the figure's nose, and this, which might be termed the opening ceremony, was performed by Mr Johnny Cowan, of Burton's Australian Circus. Directly the button was touched, the automaton, in the most natural manner, took up its position behind the counter, and received and executed an order of 13 associated drinks, with an accuracy and rapidity that were perfectly wonderful, and elicited loud manifestations of applause from the spectators. The wonder, however, was soon heightened. Two well-known gentlemen, Messrs Dunnup and Downey, entered the hotel and called, the one for rum and the other for a long beer. The automatic barman drew the liquors, but before delivering them reached out his hand for the money. This acute perception of the idiosyncrasies of Messrs D. and D. seemed perfectly miraculous in a mere machine; but the astonishment of those present was heightened when, in answer to a request to "chalk 'em up," the automaton said "Our slate is broke, and the billiard-marker stole the chalk—cash up," and cashed up it was. It is not too much say that everyone agreed that American ingenuity had triumphed over even the wonders of Heller or Professor Pepper, and it is scarcely known how far the amusement would have gone but for an unfortunate incident which for a time stopped the proceedings. A foolish fellow, who had wandered into the house in a state of half-drunkenness, and to whose appeals for a nobler the automatic barman paid no heed, suddenly, and without giving any warning, spat in its face. The consequences were very serious. With a frightful yell the automaton threw off its coat, waistcoat, necktie, and paper collar, drew its shirt over its head, and, seizing the unhappy wretch who had insulted it, hurled him through the bar door and into the street. It then announced that there would be a "high old muss here for the next quarter of an hour," and to the horror of the spectators turned its wrath against them. An immediate movement was made to get out of the bar, but, unfortunately, Mr John Bryan, the genial dramatic agent, was the first to endeavor to pass through the door, and owing to its extreme narrowness stuck there for some minutes, thus preventing all egress. During this time the shrieks and cries of those in the rear rank of the crowd were heart-rending. When the spectators had all got of the bar, Mr Perkins, with commendable presence of mind, shut the door in the automatic barman's face and looked it in effectually, but at the same time locked very much concerned because of the fact that the automaton's machinery would not run down for nearly 12 hours, and in the meantime it would have to be left to its own sweet will. The noise within the bar for the next few hours was frightful, and attracted, indeed, the attention of the police; but on the state of matters being explained to them, and Mr Perkins offering to unlock the door and let them into the bar, they in the most courteous manner declined to interfere, pointing out that the result to so delicate a piece of mechanism as the Automatic Barman might be very expensive, if not irreparable. At about two in the morning the howls and stampings of the automaton, which had been decreasing in noise for some time, ceased altogether, but no attempt was made to enter the bar until the 12 hours allotted for the running of the machinery had long passed. Then, an entry being made, the automaton, run down as one might say, was found lying near the counter with an empty brandy bottle at its side, and all the money from the till in its right hand breeches pocket. Fortunately it had only sustained slight injury, and this was speedily repaired. Mr Spinks, too, has explained that the automatic barman are prepared to suit different localities or classes of trade, and that Mr Perkins unwittingly got hold of what is known in the trade as an "Al fighting barman." The figure had not been labelled. A slight alteration in the machinery, however, which was effected yesterday, has converted it into the "prize peacemaker barman" warranted for gentleness of disposition, so that when Mr Perkins sets it going to-night, as is his intention, there need be no apprehension of serious consequences.—*Sydney Daily Telegraph*.

## PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL.

France has applied for 75,000ft of space at the Victoria Exhibition. The Timaru Borough Council propose to raise £60,000 for the construction of water works.

The Bishop of Christchurch and Mrs Harper celebrated a golden wedding-day on Friday last.

A cablegram has been received announcing that Pastor Chiniqy leaves Sydney for Auckland on the 23rd inst.

The Oamaru Jockey Club has granted permission to use the totalisator on the course during their approaching meeting.

Mr William Malcolm, rector of the Tokomairiro High School, has been appointed rector of the Christchurch Normal School.

Henry Madden, a tailor by trade, and an inmate of the Dunedin Benevolent Institution, was found drowned last week at Ocean Beach.

For the office of Town Clerk Collector and Returning Officer, salary £100 per annum, the Caversham Borough Council received 41 applications.

It is stated that negotiations are pending between M'Lean, of Ballarat, and an unknown New Zealander to walk 200 miles for £1,000 a side.

Mr Lance, of Canterbury, has consented to accept the position offered him of handicapper for the Dunedin Jockey Club, which has hitherto been held by Mr Caleb Moore.

The Morning Herald understands that William Waters, of Octagon fire celebrity, has received his insurance money, and has gone away, leaving a number of inquiring friends.

Hares are increasing so quickly in some parts of the Tuapeka district as to become quite a pest. The local Times says that if some steps are not taken to put them down, they will become as great a nuisance as the rabbits elsewhere.

A boy named Hockley had a narrow escape of being shot at the Kaiwarra (Wellington) rifle range the other day. He crossed the range just as the man fired a bullet, which passed through his trousers, and, curiously enough, actually made a centre.

The Rev. J. M'Nicol, for a number of years Presbyterian Minister at Waihola, died very suddenly last Wednesday while cutting grass in a field adjoining his residence. Mr M'Nicol arrived in the colony about 1857, and was the fifth Minister who came out under the Presbyterian Church of Otago.

It must be hard times for clerks in Christchurch at present. A few days since an advertisement was inserted in the Christchurch papers for a clerk in a merchant's office. No less than 178 applications were received during the week following the notice, although the salary offered was only 35s per week.

Dr Menzies has succeeded in carrying a motion in the Legislative Council to the effect that travellers be allowed to retain the seat first taken by them all through the journey. The snug corners of railway carriages are now safe to those who first get seated in them, and the necessity for forcibly dragging out interlopers will no longer exist.

At Wanganui on Thursday morning last, about two o'clock, the tent used as a stable for the horses and zebras in Chiariini's circus caught fire. The night watchman loosened the animals and let them go. The tent was burned down. The animals scampered over the town, but were all recaptured. The loss is estimated at about £400.

"Captain Moonlight," the bushranger, under the name of Scott was 12 years ago in employment as shopman with Mr James Wood, of Napier. He joined Captain Fraser's troop in the Mounted Constabulary in 1876, and was appointed Troop Sergeant. He took part in the campaign against Tito Kowaru, but for some offence he was dismissed from the service.

The contract for supplying all the North Island railways with coal was secured by New Zealand collieries, so that only New Zealand coal will be used on those railways during the coming year. It is hoped that similar arrangements will be made for the Middle Island railways. Not only are the tenders lower than Newcastle, but the coal is very much superior for steam purposes.

A public horsewhipping case occurred at Wellington last week under the following circumstances:—A young man courted a young lady and gave her several articles of jewellery. For some reason he left Wellington. On the jeweller sending in his bill, it was opened by a brother of the young man, who forwarded it to the young lady, suggesting that as she was the holder of the merchandise, she should pay the bill. This so incensed the lady's brother, that he publicly horsewhipped the writer of the impudent letter. [An assault case in connection with above—*Watt v. White*—resulted in defendant being fined 5s.]

The Grey River Argus speaks hopefully of a new rush in that locality:—The rush to the Seventeen-Mile Beach still continues, the news from it being of a good character, and hopes are entertained that the lead will be traced into the flat, in which case it will turn out one of the largest rushes in New Zealand, and be the means of giving employment to thousands. There is also every probability of good quartz-reefs being discovered, as the creeks are found to be full of quartz boulders, and the district is one that has for years been lovingly regarded by experienced quartz-reefers. The officers of the Warden's Court are still busily engaged in issuing miners' rights and receiving applications for races, tunnels, &c.

## THE LONDON "TIMES" ON THE GREY GOVERNMENT.

The Times of the 6th October last has a leading article on the downfall of the Grey Government, which is well worthy of attention. The article commences by remarking that "a Ministerial crisis and a change of Ministry in New Zealand are the natural and inevitable results of the recent proceedings of the Colonial Premier, Sir George Grey." After summarising very fairly the course of events which preceded and followed the dissolution and observing, in passing, that Sir George Grey was defeated by a majority equal to one-sixth of the total number of members, it proceeds: "It can hardly be doubted that the colonists have had enough of Sir George Grey and his schemes. For two years the colony has been disturbed by multiplied projects of democratic change, which has not been sought for by any influential body of citizens, and by misunderstandings with the Queen's representative and the Home Government, which are not to the taste of so loyal a community as the people of New Zealand. To these reasons for discontent has been lately added the feeling excited by Sir George Grey's refusal to interfere between the settlers and the Maoris in the Taranaki land dispute. As Sir George Grey has come into power not so much by the aid of any popular movement in favor of universal suffrage, or other democratic measures, as through a temporary reaction against the policy pursued by the previous Administrations, the abolition of the Provincial system, the development of centralisation, and the bold financial enterprises of Sir Julius Vogel, he has found that his hold upon the country is easily shaken off. The hostile vote of the Legislature has been followed by a more decisive defeat upon the appeal to the constituencies, and for the present it may be taken for granted Sir George Grey's career as a Minister in New Zealand is at an end."

It cannot be wished, either in the interest of the colony or of the Mother Country, that Sir George Grey should again obtain the control of the policy of New Zealand. We regret this, for the sake of a public servant who, in his time, has filled high and responsible offices with distinction." After sketching Sir George Grey's past official career, and describing his entrance into party politics, the article continues:—"Sir George Grey promised to give the colony universal suffrage, shortened Parliaments, and representation according to numbers, but having no force of public opinion behind him, his pledges remained barren and his inability to give effect to the schemes which he declared to be necessary brought his Government into something like contempt. His executive administration was not more fortunate than his legislative enterprises. He was repeatedly charged with unconstitutional proceedings, and a deplorable want of temper involved him in a quarrel with the late Governor, the Marquis of Normanby, which lasted until the latter was transferred to the Governorship of Victoria at the close of last year. Public opinion in the colony was by no means prepared to adopt the extravagant conclusions to which the Prime Minister would have committed them, and men of all opinions and connections have combined to repudiate his policy. In other respects the administration of Sir George Grey has been not less lucky. His financial management has been severely criticised, and a deficit of about a quarter of a million must probably be acknowledged. He has fallen out with more than one of his colleagues. His Attorney-General left him in June, and his Treasurer a few weeks later, the latter after a personal altercation with the Prime Minister in the Government Offices, which caused much scandal throughout the colony. But it is the Native policy of Sir George Grey that has been viewed with the greatest disappointment. When the late Ministry was formed, the most sanguine hopes were founded upon Sir George Grey's supposed influence over the Maoris, and his skill and experience in dealing with them. As it has turned out, however, native relations have been in a less satisfactory state within the past two years than at any time since the close of the Maori war. The agrarian troubles in Taranaki were only a symptom of the prevailing uneasiness. It appears that the Government has shown in its management of the Maoris at once a want of consideration for their claims, and a want of firmness in encountering violence and defiance of law. The settlers of Taranaki, whose farms were recently invaded by bands of Maori ploughmen, complain bitterly that the Government refused not only to protect their property, but even to advise them how to act. They have themselves arrested the intruders, and fortunately the Maoris, though asserting their alleged rights in a violent manner, do not seem inclined to offer any further resistance. The exasperation of the colonists, however, is natural, and probably it has as much to do with the defeat of Sir George Grey's Government as even the animosity aroused by his disturbing projects of democratic change, and his unfriendly attitude towards the Mother Country."

Such is the calm and deliberate judgment passed by the leading paper of the world on the political career of "the Great Pro-Consul." Although studiously moderate in tone, it is absolutely crushing in its complete exposure of Sir George Grey's utter failure in the uncongenial role of a constitutional Premier.

The Dominion Convent Bazaar held last week in Dunedin was a great success, realising the handsome total of £454 8s.

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## NOTE I.C.E.

Preparatory to retiring from business in a few months, the undersigned begs to thank the public for their liberal support during the last 17 years, and requests that all Accounts now being rendered be paid on or before Christmas, in order to close the books for the year.

In the meantime, goods will be sold very cheap for cash, in order to ensure a speedy clearance.

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Albert Town, Nov. 14, 1879.

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## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the several parcels of Land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within one calendar month from the date of gazetting the notice.

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## STEWARDS:

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JUDGE: Mr. D. A. JOLLY.

STARTER: Mr JAMES DAWKINS.

CLERK OF COURSE: Mr JAMES SMITH.

## PROGRAMME:

## FIRST DAY: FRIDAY.

To start at 1.30 p.m. punctually.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP, of 30 sovs. Distance, one mile and a half. Nominations, 21s; acceptances, 21s.

HACK RACE, of 10 sovs. For bona fide hacks that have never won an advertised prize of over 10 sovs. Distance, one mile. Entrance, 15s. No weight less than 9st. Post entry.

CROMWELL DERBY: a sweepstake of 5 sovs each, 2 sovs forfeit, with 50 sovs added by the Club. For three-year-olds bred in Vincent and Lake Counties. Derby weights—Colts, 8st 10lb; Fillies, 8st 5lb. No allowance for geldings. Second horse to receive 20 per cent. of the stakes, and the third to save his stake. Distance, one mile and a half. (20 subs.)

FLYING HANDICAP, of 20 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile. Nominations, 20s; acceptances, 10s.

SELLING STAKES, of 20 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile heats. No weight less than 9st. Entrance, 30s. Winner to be sold for 15 sovs. Surplus, if any, to go to the Race Fund.

## SECOND DAY: SATURDAY.

To start at 1.30 p.m. punctually.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 25 sovs. For all horses that have never won an advertised prize of over 10 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a half. Entrances, 30s.

SHORTS, of 10 sovs. For bona fide hacks. Distance, half-a-mile heats, without dismounting. Entrance, 15s. No weight less than 9st. Post entry.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP, of 40 sovs. Nomination, 42s; acceptance, 21s. Distance, two miles.

HOSPITAL RACE, for a prize to be handed over to the Cromwell Hospital. Rider of the winning horse to be presented with a whip. Entry, 2s 6d.

COUNTY PLATE, of 30 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a half. The winner to be sold (with his engagements) by public auction immediately after the race, and any surplus to go to the Race Fund. Winner to be sold for £50. If entered to be sold for £40, allowed 14lbs; for £30 allowed 28lbs; for £20 allowed 42lbs; for £10, allowed 56lbs.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP, of 15 sovs. For all beaten horses. Entrance, 20s. Distance, one mile.

Forfeit in the Cromwell Derby to be declared to the Secretary on or before 8 p.m., Saturday, 8th November, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake, and balance of sweep (£3) must be made good on night of general entry—Tuesday, 23rd December.

Nominations for the Grand Stand and Flying Handicaps to be received by the Secretary not later than 8 p.m. on Friday, the 12th December. Weights to be declared in THE CROMWELL ARGUS of the 16th.

Acceptances to be sent in on or before the night of general entry—Tuesday, 23rd December.

Nominations for the Jockey Club Handicap to be made on the night of general entry—Tuesday, 23rd December; weights to be declared on the evening of Friday, 26th December; acceptances to be sent in not later than 10 a.m. on Saturday, the 27th.

General entries will be received up till 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 23rd.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Mares will be allowed 5lbs, and geldings 3lbs.

No entries to be received for any of the above races except on this condition: That all disputes, claims and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final.

No qualification fee payable.

Entries will be received by the Secretary before 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the 23rd December, entrance money enclosed, with name, age and pedigree (if any) of the horse, name of the owner and colors of the rider.

Horses to be handicapped by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint.

Any jockey riding except in the colors entered will be fined £2.

Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes for expenses.

Horses walking over will receive 50 per cent. of the stakes.

The Cromwell Jockey Club Rules will be strictly enforced.

Any person entering a protest must deposit £2, and should such be deemed frivolous by the Stewards, the amount will be forfeited.

N.B.—No entries or acceptances will be received on any pretext whatever after the time specified.

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Testimonial from JAMES ALEXANDER, Esq., WANGANUI, New Zealand.

To Mr. W. COOPER, M.R.C.V.S.

"Four years ago a merchant in Wanganui, New Zealand, had eight cases of your Sheep Dipping Powder, which he asked me to buy. Not having used it before, I hesitated to try it on a large scale, so I took a few packets, and dissolved them according to your directions, and filled my Dipping Bath, which is about 5 ft. deep. I then selected some old Ewes for the experiment, cutting but little whether I killed them or not. I made them jump into the bath, and those that did not go over the head in the liquid were passed under by a man with a stick, I allowed them to remain in the dip about the time you prescribe, and then let them walk out, which, by the construction of our bath, they were enabled to do. They stood on the dripping board until dry, and were then turned out to grass, and not one of them was injured in the least. This experiment proved to me that your Dipping Powder could be used with safety on a large scale, so I purchased the eight cases of Powder already referred to, and dipped my whole flock, numbering 10,000 sheep, in the same way, and did not lose one. I dipped for Lice, which had been very bad in my flock for years, and I have now got entirely clear of them through the use of your Powder. I still dip every year, as I think your preparation fosters the growth of Wool. I have not seen your Dip tried for Scab, but have been told by my neighbors that it is as good for Scab as it is for Lice."

"After the effectual cure of my flock, the demand for my powder became great, and orders were sent to Melbourne and other places where it could be got, and the merchant before spoken of got shipments from England, as you must be quite aware."

"I have dipped over 50,000 sheep with it, and never lost but one, and that one was seen licking its If just after it left the bath. I have no difficulty in dipping 1000 to 1200 in the day of eight hours with three men. I consider that with ordinary care your Dipping Powder is as safe on a large scale in the Colonies as it is with the small flocks in England. The chief point to mind is that the sheep are quite dry before they are turned out to grass."

PREPARED ONLY BY \*

**WILLIAM COOPER,**

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Sold in Packets (with plain directions) sufficient on an average for Twenty Sheep.

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